

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SAKATA, Makoto, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1781**

Serial No.: **10/593,347**

Examiner: **CHAWLA, Jyoti**

Filed: **January 10, 2008**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **8980**

For: **METHOD OF MODIFYING GUM ARABIC, MODIFIED GUM ARABIC
OBTAINED BY THE METHOD, AND USE THEREOF**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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January 04, 2012

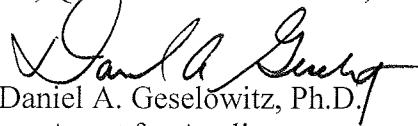
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2011, for one month, from December 9, 2011, to January 9, 2012.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account in the amount of \$150.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity.

In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,
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